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Revival of Stalled Hydropower Projects
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Will the Minister of POWER be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has identified the stalled hydropower projects in the country;

(b) if so, the details thereof, State-wise;

(c) the cost over-run of these projects, Project and State-wise;

(d) whether the Government proposes to revive the stalled hydropower projects in order to increase the renewable power generation across the country; and

(e) If so, the details thereof?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE (INDEPENDENT CHARGE) FOR POWER,
COAL, NEW & RENEWABLE ENERGY AND MINES

(SHRI PIYUSH GOYAL)

(a) to (c) : The information is given in Annex.

(d) & (e) : In order to promote hydro electric power and to make it sustainable, various options are under consideration of the Government, which, inter-alia, include:-

(i) Declaring all hydro power projects (irrespective of size) as renewable energy which would ensure coverage under Renewable Purchase Obligation and qualify for dispatch priority.

(ii) Providing cheaper credit to hydro power projects above 25 MW with a view to make tariff competitive.

(iii) Engaging with Central Electricity Regulatory Commission (CERC) to work out modalities to reduce tariff by changing / rationalizing other tariff parameters like depreciation, O&M etc.

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